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COMMENTS:

Attached is a proposed amendment for this application. Upon approval and entry of the amendment, along with the cancellation of claims 12-15 (see the note which precedes the proposed amendment), the application would be in condition for allowance. Please feel free to call me with any questions or concerns you may have. I will be available between the hours of 7:00 AM and 4:30 PM for the remainder of the week. Thank you.

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